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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, We, in this city of immigrants, this city of neighborhoods, this most American of all cities, are particularly cognizant of the "American Dream"; and

WHEREAS, Though seemingly fixed and inviolable, the complex social fabric of our great metropolis could be easily torn asunder were it not for the guardians of the public welfare, indeed, the guardians of the American Dream; and

WHEREAS, Dedication to and fulfillment of the motto of the Chicago Police Department - "We Serve and Protect" - exacts a substantial physical and emotional toll not only on the officers who must daily cope with the stress and danger of being life's arbitrator for countless citizens, but also on their family members; and

WHEREAS, Through professionalism and sacrifice, the members of the Chicago Police Department have provided us with one of the safest cities in the United States of America, allowing each of us to pursue our own version of the "American Dream" in safety and confidence; and

WHEREAS, The words of Sir Winston Churchill, "never was so much owed to so few" were never so apropos; and

WHEREAS, Robert Sanchez, Star #6778, began his illustrious career with the Chicago Police Department on January 30,1991; and

WHEREAS, Robert Sanchez officially retired on July 16, 2016, as a Police Officer assigned to the 9th District; and

WHEREAS, Robert Sanchez devoted 25 years of his life in service to the people of the City of Chicago and in doing so has personally ensured that the City of Chicago is the safe, healthy and vibrant community it is today; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled this sixteenth day of November, 2016, do hereby express our gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to Robert Sanchez on the occasion of his retirement for his dedication, professionalism and personal sacrifice that he provided during his 25 years of public service; and

Alderman -14"' Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Robert Sanchez.

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